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School Open Days

Please share the dates for our open days with any friends or family with children due to start school in September 2024. Our new reception class is full this year which is a real boost to our funding so if you do know of anyone, make sure to pass on the details.

Open Days

- **Tuesday 10th October 10.00am**
(Presentation and Tour)
- **Tuesday 17th October 2.00pm**
(Presentation and Tour)
- **Tuesday 7th November 3.30pm**
(Presentation, Tour and 'Stay and Play')

Reading at Home

It is vital that pupils bring their book bags to school and read at home every single day. You can help instil a love for reading by listening to your child read and making chatting about books an enjoyable part of their day. A comment in their reading record shows how much you value their reading at home and is a fantastic way for the school to keep track of what is being read. Because we value the importance of reading at home so highly, if we notice that reading records aren't being kept up to date, a member of the senior leadership team will get in touch to see how we may support you in achieving this.

Giant Beanstalk

Pupils in St Francis' class have been trying to get to the bottom of how a beanstalk has appeared in their class and where it might lead to. They are all really enjoying their 'Once upon a Time' topic.



Word of the Week: complete

Tax Free Childcare

Tax-Free Childcare (TFC) is a childcare top-up for working parents. It can be used to help pay for accredited holiday clubs, childminders, or sports activities. This enables parents and carers to access childcare during the school holidays, also saving them money. It is estimated that there are 1.3 million working families who are eligible for TFC in the UK however only a small percentage are making use of the scheme. Around 75% of families are losing out on this support. Use the links below to find out if you are eligible.

[Tax Free Childcare can help towards the cost of children's summer holiday activities | GOV.UK](#)
[Childcare Choices | 30 Hours Free Childcare, Tax-Free Childcare and More | Help with Costs | GOV.UK](#)

[Get Tax-Free Childcare: step by step - GOV.UK](#)
www.westsussex.gov.uk/FIS - to help parents search for childcare.

Matthew 18:21-35

"No, not seven times," answered Jesus, "but seventy times seven, because the Kingdom of heaven is like this."

Diary Dates

Sept 2023

Tues 26 Grandparents Visit EYFS, Y2, Y4, Y5
Wed 27 Y3 Forest School
Thurs 28 Grandparents Visit Y1, Y3, Y6
Y5 Swimming
Fri 29 Film Night 3.15pm to 5pm

Oct 2023

Wed 4 Y3 Forest School
Thurs 5 Y5 Swimming
Fri 6 Harvest Day
Tues 10 Open Morning 10am
Y5 Class Liturgy 2.45pm
Wed 11 Y3 Forest School
Y1 & 2 Dance Performance
Thurs 12 Y5 Swimming
Fri 13 Flu Vaccination Programme